

## MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Horse Feathers timber sale application #30-084077, and the attached forest practice application #3609724 is a one unit timber sale proposal located in the Olympic Experimental State Forest (OESF). The estimated timber volume removal for this proposal is 2,291mbf, encompassing approximately 80 acres of harvest. Approximately 2,275 feet of new optional road construction and 1,312 feet of pre-haul maintenance are planned for this sale.

Description of mitigation: The following Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) procedures apply:

Northern Spotted Owl: This proposal is located in non habitat and is under 50 years of age and will not be subject to the acreage limits. PR-14-004-120

<u>Marbled Murrelet</u>: The sale area was determined to be non-murrelet habitat by the OESF interim marbled murrelet strategy.

Slope Stability: There are no unstable slopes associated with this proposal

<u>Riparian and/or Wetland Management Zones (RMZ/WMZ):</u> This proposal has one Type 1 stream associated with it: the N.F Calawah River. This stream has been protected with an estimated 50 foot interior core and a 150 foot wind buffer.

<u>Retention Trees:</u> Retaining a minimum of eight trees per acre in the proposal area provides legacy elements for recruitment of future snags, coarse woody debris, multi-layered stands and large diameter trees.

<u>Roads:</u> Approximately 2,275 feet of new optional road construction and 1,312 feet of pre-haul maintenance are planned for this sale.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources - Olympic Region

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: This proposed timber sale is located approximately 6 miles northeast of Forks, Washington on the USFS 29 road system. The legal description of this proposal is T28N-R13W Sec. 1 and T29N-R13W Sec. 36 W.M.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.



This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from February 5, 2009. Comments must be submitted by February 19, 2009

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.

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